(*b*) if so, what action the Government propose to take to stop such evictions?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) The representation was transferred to the Collector of Ramanathapuram for disposal. The question whether a person in occupation of a land in an estate is liable to be evicted by the landholder depends upon the terms on which that person holds the land and the law governing the relations between him and the landholder."

SRI T. VISWANATHAM:—" May I know in these evictions how many tenants are involved and how many villages are involved? " 2-50 p.m.

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" I have not got the information here."

SRI T. VISWANATHAM:—" As an immediate measure of amelioration, will the Government think of extending the Tanjore Tenants and Pannaiyals Protection Bill to Ramanathapuram? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER:—" I thought that to-day at least I could forget it. He is again reminding me about that." (Laughter.)

MR. SPEAKER:—" Order, order, there is too much of noise in the House. I am not able to follow the interpellations."

Recommendations of the Harijan Welfare Committee.

* 277 *Q.*—SRI M. RAJESWARA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the recommendations of the Harijan Welfare Committee, Madras, 1948, reported at pages 19, 48 and 63 for the uplift of the Madigas and Chukkilians have been implemented; and

(*b*) if not, why?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO:—" (*a*) The Government have taken action to implement the recommendations specified in paragraph 3 at page 19 of the report. The other recommendations were not accepted.

" (*b*) The other recommendations were not accepted as the Government considered that it was undersirable to perpetuate the differences among the several sub-sects of the Harijans by marking out a few sub-sects from among them for higher priority in the welfare work. It was felt that these differences among the various sub-sects of the Harijan community would disappear gradually with the spread of education among them and that it is unnecessary to amend the Madras Removal of Civil Disabilities Act with a view to make it apply *inter se* to the several sub-groups within the Harijan community."

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SRI M. RAJESWARA RAO :—" Are the Government aware of the fact that the report of the Harijan Welfare Committee was approved by the Legislature and as such the recommendations of the Committee are mandatory? "

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" The Government accepted the recommendations generally. I am referring now to particular recommendations made at page 19 about the community concerned. The Government generally accepted the recommendations and ordered that a sum of five lakhs of rupees from the Harijan Fund be set apart for the provision of adequate sanitary amenities to Harijan cheris, preference being given to the development of approach roads, drainages, burial grounds and flaying enclosures. This provision was intended to benefit the Chukklers, specially so far as flaying enclosures are concerned and provide other facilities equally with other Harijans. The Government have also provided for the grant of sites, free of cost, to Chukklers for tannery purposes."

SRI P. VENKATASUBBIAH :—" May I know whether there is a Harijan Welfare Committee at present and if so, at what intervals it meets? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" That is altogether a different question. "

SRI G. BAPANAYYA :—" హరిజనుల్లో యిప్పుడు చెప్పబడ్డ తరగతుల వారు ఎక్కువ యిబ్బంది పడుతున్నారు. గనుక వారికి ఎక్కువ అవకాశాలు యివ్వటానికి ఈ రిపోర్టులోని సిఫార్సులు ఉన్నంతవరకు అములుపరచవచ్చుగదా ? "

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" అమలు పరచడానికి ప్రభుత్వం సమస్త ప్రయత్నాలు చేస్తున్నదని యిదివరకే చెప్పాను. Civil Disabilities Act ను ప్రస్తుతము amend చేయడములేదని చెప్పాను."

Surrender of lands by the Union Government's Salt Factory at Chinaganjam (Guntur district).

* 278 *Q.*—SRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any representation has been received by the Government recently requesting them to take over about 1,200 acres of land suitable for raising foodcrops in Survey No. 608 now in possession of the Union Government's Salt Factory at Chinaganjam (Guntur district) and assign it to a co-operative society to be formed for the benefit of the landless agricultural labourers residing in Chinaganjam and its hamlets; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon by the Government?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) & (*b*) A petition was received from the hon. Member himself in May 1952 and it was sent to the Collector of Guntur. A